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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 18 with the following amended paragraph:

As shown in FIG. 1, the information reproduction apparatus S1 according to the first embodiment is composed of: a pickup 1 containing an objective lens 1.2 that is a light focusing device for focusing an information reproduction light beam B on an information recording face in an optical disc DK, the pickup 1 being a pickup device supported by a carriage CG that is a carriage device to move in a radial direction of the optical disc DK; a preamplifier 2; a driver portion 7 containing amplifiers 7a to 7d; a carriage motor 8 consisting of a DC motor that is a moving device; a signal processing circuit 9 that is a reproduction device; a D/A (Digital / Analog) converter 10; a shaft 12; a spindle motor 13; a microcomputer 14 that is a drive signal detecting device, a setting device, a threshold calculating device, a sensing device, and a time detecting device; a carriage home position sensing portion 23 that is a stillness detecting device including a push-button switch 23a; and a servo equalizer portion SE.

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